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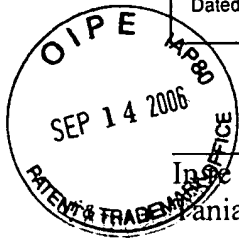
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated August 14, 2006 (Paper No. 20060807), for which a response is due on September 14, 2006. This response is timely filed.

Also submitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment, for which Applicants respectfully request entry prior to examination on the merits.